

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00762-RBW**

VOTEVETS ACTION FUND v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
VETERANS AFFAIRS
Assigned to: Judge Reggie B. Walton
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/04/2018
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
04/04/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5404203) filed by VOTEVETS ACTION FUND. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/04/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Reggie B. Walton. (zsth) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/04/2018	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsth) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/06/2018	<u>3</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by VOTEVETS ACTION FUND (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 04/06/2018)

04/25/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 4/11/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/11/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 4/11/18., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS served on 4/16/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Thurston, Robin) (Entered: 04/25/2018)
04/25/2018	<u>5</u>	GENERAL ORDER. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on April 25, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 04/25/2018)
05/14/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.(Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 05/14/2018)
05/14/2018		MINUTE ORDER. To ensure the expeditious resolution of this action, and because this qualifies as an exempted case under Local Civil Rule 16.3(b), it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint proposed schedule governing further proceedings on or before June 4, 2018. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on May 14, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 05/14/2018)
05/14/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Schedule due by 6/4/2018. (hs) (Entered: 05/14/2018)
05/22/2018	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Robin Frances Thurston on behalf of VOTEVETS ACTION FUND (Thurston, Robin) (Entered: 05/22/2018)
06/04/2018	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 06/04/2018)
06/08/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>8</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional joint status report on or before July 12, 2018, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on June 8, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 06/08/2018)
06/08/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/12/2018 (hs) (Entered: 06/08/2018)
07/12/2018	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 07/12/2018)
07/12/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional status report on or before August 28, 2018, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on July 12, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 07/12/2018)
07/13/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/28/2018 (hs) (Entered: 07/13/2018)
08/28/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/28/2018)
08/29/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that the government process at least 750 pages per month and release the responsive, non-exempt portions in a rolling production approximately every thirty days. It is further ORDERED that the parties file an additional joint status report on or before October 24, 2018, regarding how to proceed in this matter. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on August 29, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 08/29/2018)
08/29/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 10/24/2018 (tj) (Entered: 08/29/2018)
10/24/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 10/24/2018)
10/24/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional status report on or before December 13, 2018, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on October 24, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 10/24/2018)

10/25/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/13/2018 (hs) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
12/13/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 12/13/2018)
12/17/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional status report on or before January 30, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on December 17, 2018. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
12/18/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/30/2019 (hs) (Entered: 12/18/2018)
01/29/2019	<u>13</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Joint Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
02/06/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the defendant's <u>13</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time to File Joint Status Report, and for good cause shown, it is hereby ORDERED that this motion is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that the parties shall file their joint status report on or before February 28, 2019. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on February 6, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 02/06/2019)
02/06/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/28/2019 (hs) (Entered: 02/06/2019)
02/27/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 02/27/2019)
02/28/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional status report on or before March 28, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on February 28, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 02/28/2019)
03/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/28/2019 (hs) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/28/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
04/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file an additional status report on or before May 22, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on April 1, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 04/01/2019)
04/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/22/2019 (hs) (Entered: 04/01/2019)
05/21/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 05/21/2019)
05/30/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a status report on or before July 16, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on May 30, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 05/30/2019)
05/31/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/16/2019 (hs) (Entered: 05/31/2019)
07/16/2019	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by VOTEVETS ACTION FUND. (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 07/16/2019)
07/18/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a status report on or before August 27, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on July 18, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 07/18/2019)
07/19/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/27/2019 (hs) (Entered: 07/19/2019)
08/27/2019	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/27/2019)
09/03/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a status report on or before October 30, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on

		September 3, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 09/03/2019)
09/04/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/30/2019 (hs) (Entered: 09/04/2019)
10/30/2019	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 10/30/2019)
11/05/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint status report on or before December 11, 2019, regarding how they wish to proceed in this case. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on November 5, 2019. (lcrbw1) (Entered: 11/05/2019)
11/05/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/11/2019 (hs) (Entered: 11/05/2019)